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BUNDY JUROR INSANE

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THEATRE

SEE "THE HOMESTEADER" AT LOVE'S THEATRE THIS WEEK 13, 14, 15, 16

DR. BUNDY TO ASK FOR NEW TRIAL

One of the Jurors Becomes Violently Insane and Attorneys
For Defense Claim Was So
During Trial.

The Negro Press a Unit For Doctor Bundy and Bitter Against the
N. A. A. C. P.

That "the prayers of the righteous
availeth much" and that "God moves
in a mysterious way his wonders to
perform" was evidenced last Tuesday
when the Associated Press announced
that Daniel Davis, a member of the
jury that convicted Dr. Leroy M. Bun-
dy on a charge of murder in connec-
tion with the race riot of East St.
Louis was adjudged mentally incompe-
tent by a commission appointed by
County Judge Schneider of Waterloo,
Ill.

One of the attorneys for the defense
says that all during the trial Davis
acted in a peculiar manner and could

be seen talking to himself on several
occasions, and it is alleged that he
said to other members of the jury,
"I've done something wrong, I've done
something wrong, I've done something
wrong."

Doubtless these facts, with other
testimony that will be presented, will
secure for Dr. Bundy a new trial,
which every fair minded citizen, white
or colored, in these United States feel
he is entitled to receive. Dr. Bundy
is receiving thousands of letters pledg-
ing sympathy and assistance, and Kan-
sas City will do its full share in finan-
cing whatever other legal procedure
is necessary.



DR. J. EDGAR DIBBLE

It should be a source of pride and
inspiration to every Negro in Greater
Kansas City to witness the wonderful
record being made by Dr. J. Edgar
Dibble, one of the foremost physicians
and surgeons of the race. Quiet and
dignified in manner, extremely cour-
teous in disposition and actively ag-
gressive in all things pertaining to
racial advancement, Dr. Dibble has
been a distinct asset to the Negro peo-
ple of this community in all the years
he has resided here.

A graduate of the famous Meharry
Medical College, Dr. Dibble took a
Post Graduate Course in one of the
greatest medical schools in Philadel-
phia, and when he came to this city
he was fully equipped to practice his
profession, and his record has been
one of continued success since being
here.

Dr. Dibble believes in opening up
new fields, and more than a year ago
had occasion to demonstrate his abil-
ity to the management of the Kansas
City Nut and Bolt Works, that employs
many hundreds of men. They were so
impressed with his ability that he was

employed as their regular physician
and surgeon to look after their colored
employees. One of the positions held
by Dr. Dibble that he prizes very high-
ly is that of physician and surgeon to
the Building Laborers' International
Protective Union of America No. 1,
the largest organization of Negroes in
the West, being elected to this position
by the Union over the heads of
quite a number of other physicians
who were applicants for the place.
Possibly the greatest endorsement of
his ability came only last week when
he was selected by the famous Kansas
City Southern Railway as local sur-
geon to care for all their colored em-
ployees which, to those who know, is a
very responsible task. Dr. Dibble, dur-
ing the recent world's war was com-
missioned first lieutenant and exam-
ined and prepared a great many of the
successful candidates who received
commissions at the Des Moines Train-
ing Camp. There are few men who
have contributed more to the material
and constructive development of the
race in Kansas City than Dr. Dibble,
and the Negroes of the South and
West are justly proud of him.

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DR. THOMPSON'S REPLY AN APPEAL TO PREJUDICE

Mr. J. A. Wilson Comes Back With a
Crushing Reply to Dr. William
J. Thompson's Article of
Last Week.

WHICH IS RIGHT?

Editor Sun:

I am pleased that my article on the
soldiers' parade drew a reply from
such a distinguished person as my
friend, Dr. William J. Thompson, who
revealed himself as the organizer of
the parade. There seems to be a dif-
ference of opinion between us concern-
ing it. The Doctor naturally thought
it was alright from beginning to end,
a creditable affair and one "that
marked a most eventful occasion for
our city." The writer thought that a
part of it was rendered disreputable
by the motley, disorderly mob which
was attached to it. After my article
appeared several persons, unsolicited,
expressed their approval of it and co-
incided with my views, and there is
a young man here, a returned soldier,
who was out of town at the time and
who received a letter in which that
feature of the parade was described
as being disgraceful. I am surprised
that the Doctor appears to think so
lightly of my dreaming, as he full well
knows that dreams have inspired some
of the noblest and beneficial perfor-
mances in the world's history. No
doubt when he was a mere boy he had
dreams of being some day a success-
ful doctor, and the fulfillment of his
dreams is a credit to himself and his
race and all his many friends and ac-
quaintances honor him for it.

My interest in the progress of my
race and my life in this city is an
open book and I am willing to let the
record speak for itself.

The Doctor gave an interesting ac-
count of the fighting history of a por-
tion of the 92nd Division of our sol-
diers in France, adding some doubt-
ful statements as facts, and then took
an unusual interest in the "old ban-
danna" Negro women and "men who
have to earn their livelihood by the
sweat of their brow." I do not make
this charge against the Doctor spec-
ially and individually but the class of
society he represents. Here is what
he says of the disorderly mob that I
yet maintain spelt the parade: "Black
as they were said to have been, but
sweet, O God, with hearts white and
true, simple and unkept as they were
but whose textures represented not
ill-gotten wealth but honest toil." This
to my mind sounds "mushy"; it ap-
pears to be an attempt to "play to the
gallery" and is in the same class as
the methods of certain white persons
who when they wish to ingratiate
themselves in our favor, assures us of
their sympathy for us because they
"sucked a black mammy's breast." I
beg to remind the Doctor that the
manner in which he expresses his in-
terest in certain classes of our people
is "old stuff" and they are gradually
getting on to it.

Dr. Thompson is educated and in-
telligent and therefore has or should
have a more than fair knowledge of
the English language. I will not be
so unfair as to accuse him of wilfully
misrepresenting my words to reflect
discredit on the soldiers or to intimate
scorn for the poverty of their mothers,
sisters or sweethearts, but I certainly
challenge him to prove that any ex-
pression in my article could be so con-
strued. In the first part of his reply
the Doctor offered excuses for the
manner of entertaining the soldiers
which was not criticized and at its con-
clusion he likened the parade of a
handful of men to "all the triumphal
processions of history." This, how-
ever, is a custom of some members of
the medical profession to mystify and
enlarge ordinary things as when they
prescribe chloride sodium for common
salt and aqua bulliens for hot water.
It is not my intention to depreciate the
merit of the Doctor or alter our social
relation but it is time for us to get
together and put our beautiful theories
into practice and do something with
or for the class of persons under dis-
cussion, for, and I agree with the Doc-
tor, that "this is the crucial period of
democracy and of reconstruction."

J. A. WILSON.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE.

TEN YEARS OF ACTIVITY.

By May White Ovington.

ARTICLE 4.

Our history, after 1910, may be read
in our annual reports, and in the num-
bers of The Crisis. We opened two
offices in the Evening Post Building.
With Dr. DuBois came Mr. Frank M.
Turner, a Wilberforce graduate, who
has shown great efficiency in handling
our books. In November of 1910 ap-
peared the first number of The Crisis,
with Dr. DuBois as editor, and Mary
Dunlop Maclean, whose death has
been the greatest loss the Association
has known, as managing editor. Our
propaganda work was put on a na-
tional footing, our legal work was well
under way, and we are, in truth, a Na-
tional Association, pledged to a nation-
wide work for justice to the Negro
race.

As I look back over the past ten
years, I see that we have surmounted
many difficulties. We have had to
encounter the malicious perversion of
our motives by those not in agreement
with us, and to defend ourselves
against insincere attacks. We have
also been obliged to reaffirm the in-
tegrity of our motives to those sincere
critics who doubt that a democratic
organization of white and colored peo-
ple is possible. We have had to insist
sometimes to our most ardent enthu-
siasts that we demand not faith alone
but works. But throughout our ten
years we have steadily gained in ef-
ficiency, in power and in national
repute.

Each year brings us many important
questions, and each year we try to
give them our wisest, most thoughtful
decisions. We are striving to secure
the constitutional rights of the color-
ed people, to win "Jim Crow" cases,
segregation cases, disfranchisement
cases. This brings us in close relation
with the courts, the most conservative
institution in our commonwealth. At
the same time we stand on the auda-
ciously radical platform of the aboli-
tion of all caste. Shall we always be
the voice of the prophet on the house-
top, telling the Nation of its sins, or
shall we endeavor to practice diplo-
macy, even in the midst of our agita-
tion? This is a question that may
never be satisfactorily answered; but
it is interesting to note that the col-
ored people have come to us with their
warmest allegiance in proportion to
the constructive work we have been
able to do. As one of their distin-
guished scholars wrote me at the close
of the Association's first Conference:

"I trust that the Conference will re-
sult in real work, I am beginning to
feel that too much time is wasted in
talk which issues no definite action or
plan of action. There is an immense
amount of work to be done in many
lines, and when I say work, I do not
exclude agitation which is in itself a
real work, but needs to be organized
just as any successful organization."

"Once to every man and nation comes
the moment to decide.
In the strife of truth with falsehood
for the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
offering each the bloom or blight;
Partis the goats upon the left hand,
and the sheep upon the right,
And the choice goes by forever 'twixt
that darkness and that light."

"Then to side with truth is noble when
we share her wretched crust
Ere her cause bring fame and profit
and 'tis prosperous to be just;
Then it is the brave man chooses, while
the coward stands aside,
Doubting in his abject spirit, till his
Lord is crucified.
And the multitude makes virtue of the
faith they had denied."

(The End.)

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C. P., with the permission of the au-
thor to let the people know the facts
of this true and tried organization.

TO OUR PATRONS!

We increased the size of our paper, as you possibly noticed last
week, adding one hundred and twelve inches of space, but we yet
find it impossible to take care of all our business.

We are issuing this week A TWELVE PAGE PAPER, the first
time in the history of Negro journalism in Kansas City, and we want
you to make it a permanent feature, because it is YOUR PAPER, and
it can only be what YOU, our friends, make it.

WATCH US GROW!



PROF. R. G. JACKSON

The musical Wizard of Kansas City
who conducts his famous Choral Club
next Friday evening in their annual
good Friday oratorio.

Dr. Thompson's Article Replying to Mr.
J. A. Wilson—Endorsed by Hon.
J. A. Meservey, Former City Coun-
sellor and one of Kansas City's Most
Distinguished Citizens.

Dr. William J. Thompson,
1509 East 18th Street,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Dr. Thompson:

I want to congratulate you on your
article which appears in today's Kan-
sas City Sun, relating to the parade of
the 92nd Division contingent in Kansas
City. I did not read J. A. Wilson's
article, but I did see the parade, and
I was filled with pride at the enthu-
siasm and "pep" shown, not only by the
returning soldiers but by their friends
who followed them through the
streets.

As the parade passed our building
I could not but call to mind another
parade that I saw in the city of Co-
logne in the early part of 1915, when
several companies of Germans were
being inducted into the service of that
country. These men were followed to
the training camp by their wives and
children, and as they were about to
discard their clothes for the German
uniform, they naturally wore their old
clothes. Notwithstanding the fact
that everyone of the men had received
several years' military training, they
were as motley and disheartened a
group of men as I ever saw, and their
wives and children looked, as they
doubtless felt, as if they expected their
husbands and fathers never to return.

Our men went to war with smiles
on their faces, and accompanied by
the cheers and good wishes of all their
friends, and they are returning with
their heads up and with the conscious-
ness of having fought bravely for a
good cause. The difference between
the two parades presented a remark-
able contrast. The men of the 92nd
Division were all heroes, and while
it is true that they were flanked, "cov-
ered and hidden" by an enthusiastic
group of friends and relatives, it was
but an evidence of the affection and
pride in the soldierly conduct of these
heroes. I think the Negro race ought
to be proud of the spirit which was
shown by the soldiers when they en-
listed, as well as when they returned,
and I am glad that you have replied
to any criticisms which may have been
made either of the parade, the soldiers
in it, or to friends who received them
so cordially.

Yours sincerely,
EDWIN C. MESERVEY.

A SPLENDID PHARMACIST.

Mr. Alexander Lee, pharmacist, em-
ployed by Dr. E. S. Lee at the Palace
Drug Store, 12th and Woodland, was
one of five successful candidates to
register as a pharmacist in the state
of Kansas by an examination held in
the University at Lawrence last
February. There were twenty-two ap-
plicants, he being the only Negro. No
one should hesitate to take their pre-
scriptions to a store where they will
be correctly and reasonably filled by
such competent druggists as Dr. E. S.
Lee, who has been in the business
for twenty-five years, and his efficient
clerk, Alexander Lee, who for more
than ten years has served in some of
our best drug stores as a prescription
druggist in Missouri and Illinois,
where he is now registered. Our
physicians should use every opportu-
nity to impress upon their patients
the great advantage gained by their
support and recognition of ability in
their own race.

JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF TABOR.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The Position and Demands of Japan Discussed
by Prof. Wm. H. Dawley, Jr.

Will the Darker Races be Given a Fair Deal in the Great
Diplomatic Battle Now Going On.

By Wm. H. Dawley, Jr.

The Japanese, whom we discour-
teously call "Japs," an epithet as re-
pugnant to them as "Dutch" is to the
German or the nickname so univer-
sally applied to the Negro is to him,
can hardly in the light of their re-
cent brilliant history be expected to
subscribe with enthusiasm to any
league that stamps them less than
equals. However they, and especially
their statesman, are polite but skilled
in finesse.

When they whipped China and both
Russia and Germany snatched from
them the fruits of their victory, they
submitted without complaint. When
ten years later, in 1904, to the sur-
prise of the civilized world they con-
quered Russia, they cheerfully accept-
ed President Roosevelt's proposals

his area is arable; hence the neces-
sity of restriction on immigration and
the cause of emigration. Christianity
was introduced by Xavier in 1549 and
spread rapidly but the arrogance of
the priests caused its suppression and
at one time 20,000 Native Christians
were massacred. In 1854 Commodore
Perry, the hero of Lake Erie with no
little difficulty persuaded Japan to
admit foreigners. Later she laid aside
her exclusiveness and eagerly adopt-
ed and practiced western customs,
arts, institutions. She has won an
exalted place in the family of enlight-
ened Nations. She tolerates, but does
not practice Christianity. It is easier
for Japan to do than to boast.

The present Missouri legislature
has made it possible for woman to
vote for the next President. Woman
did yeoman service in the acquisition



HON. ARMOND W. SCOTT, Grand Exalted Ruler Elks, I. B. P. O. E. W.
Who will be the guest of Mid-West Lodge No. 233 April 17th and 18th. He will
be given a banquet at the Deluxe Cafe Thursday evening by the members
of the Lodge and will be the guest of honor at the Elks first big Frolic and
Dance at Labor Temple Friday evening, April 18th. Hear the Elks' 10-piece
orchestra. Admission 50c. Felix Payne, Chairman.

and concluded peace with Russia.
Again they listened to President
Roosevelt in the delicate California
situation and became an agreeable
party to the "gentlemen's under-
standing."

Thus all the means consistent with
dignity they have employed, to de-
serve and maintain the friendship of
the United States. They are not in-
sensible to indignities, nor are they
too proud to fight, nevertheless they
are too proud to accept a place of ad-
mitted inferiority in dealing with one
or more associate Nations.

All the more than 4,000 islands of
Japan can be embraced within the
State of California. Yet her popula-
tion numbers a fourth more than that
of Great Britain. Only 15 per cent of

of freedom for the Negro, yet he out-
stripped her in gaining suffrage. It
was not granted her for expediency,
she reasoned her way to it through a
long and hard contest. May she enjoy
its full and unimpaird fruits.

If certain sections of our fatherland
have justified lynching in the defense
of womanhood, surely the grand old
commonwealth of Illinois will not al-
low itself to go on record as the
lyncher of a man, who happens not to
be white, but proves an alibi; on the
charge that he did not sit idly by
when the womanhood of his race hav-
ing committed no fault but being de-
cently dressed, was outraged not in
some dark corner or sequestered wood
but on the open streets of a business
city.

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